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For: *Dealuminized Catalyst Support,  
Method for Producing Said Catalyst  
Support and Method for Hydrating  
C<sub>2</sub>- or C<sub>3</sub>- Olefins with Water  
in the Presence of a Catalyst  
Consisting of This Catalyst Support  
Impregnated with Acid (as amended)*

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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of April 23, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.